

DTS DTA Guide to Establishing LOAs and Budgets for the New Fiscal Year

(FY 04 to FY 05)

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1 Purpose

The purpose of this document is to provide an overview of the upcoming fiscal year changeover process for local Finance Defense Travel Administration (FDTA). This includes Lines of Accounting (LOAs) rollover and copy functions, as well as setting up associated budgets for the new fiscal year.

1.1 Reference Materials

The following references contain additional information on the fiscal year rollover process:

Document	Available From
DTS Defense Travel Administration Guide (Manual)	www.defensetravel.osd.mil
	(Training section – DTA Guide)
DTS Financial Field Procedures Guide	www.defensetravel.osd.mil
	(Document Library section)
DTS DTA Guide to Processing Authorizations for the	www.defensetravel.osd.mil
New Fiscal Year (FY 04 to FY 05)	(Document Library section)

2 Overview

During the organizational setup process, the Finance DTA (FDTA) establishes LOAs and corresponding budgets, and then maintains them with the DTA Maintenance Tool and maintains the associated budget items in the DTS Budget Module. Every fiscal year, elements in the LOAs (and corresponding budget item(s)) require modifications to reflect the new fiscal year. The LOA rollover and copy functions in the DTS DTA Maintenance application, provide an FDTA user with a set of automated tools to facilitate the creation, addition, or deletion of LOAs for the fiscal year rollover activities.

The FDTA identifies the LOA(s) that will be retained for the new fiscal year. Creating new LOAs causes the automatic creation of an associated budget item within the budget module. After the FDTA identifies the LOA(s), the FDTA determines which method (rollover or copy) will be used to create the LOA to the new fiscal year. The Fiscal Year Rollover feature should be used for LOAs when the only data element(s) that must be changed for the new fiscal year are the fiscal and/or program year values. Refer to section 3.1 for Default rollover of the Fiscal/Program Year elements. A new feature allows the FDTA to customize the default rules to Fiscal/Program Year elements for XX, null, and other fiscal year values (see section 3.2). For LOAs that require changes to fields other than Fiscal/Program Year elements values, the FDTA should use the Copy functions (see section 4).

If the FDTA has previously defined a default LOA for travelers in the organization, *the FDTA must change* the default LOA in the travelers' profiles to reflect the new LOA. Otherwise, the travelers' documents for the new fiscal year could result in an incorrect accounting action.

3 Fiscal Year Rollover Feature

The Fiscal Year Rollover function provides users with the following capabilities:

1. Default Rules automatically update fiscal and program elements in each LOA to a designated fiscal year value based on a default set of roll-over rules defined for each LOA format map. *Note: All other data elements within the LOA will be copied exactly into the new LOA. For example, if FY = 04, it will rollover to FY = 05; FY = 2004 will rollover to FY = 2005 etc. Default rules can be customized. (see section 3.2). The following table shows the fiscal/program year elements the program automatically updates for the current format maps under the default rules format:*

Format Map	Elements That Will be Updated and the Default Rules Defining the Rollover Action
AF 2, 9/29/2003	Account 2: FY (1 char)
	Account 3: PY (1 char)
	All non-empty (FY and PY) elements are rolled to new fiscal year
	Empty (null) values for Air Force PY remain empty in future year LOA, and empty FY elements are not replaced with New Fiscal Year values
	Account 2: FY (1 char) equal to X will not be replaced with New FY value
	A Fiscal year (FY) element with a value less than the corresponding Program Year (PY) element is not replaced with new FY value
ARMY 3, 6/6/2003	Account 2: FY (4 chars)
	Account 2: PY (1 char)
	All non-empty (FY and PY) elements are rolled to new fiscal year
	Empty (null) values for Army PY and FY elements are not replaced with New PY and FY value
	Account 2: FY (4 chars) equal to XXXX will not be replaced with New FY value
DBMS 1, 8/1/2001	Account 2: FY (4 chars)
	All non-empty FY elements are rolled to new fiscal year
	Empty (null) values for DBMS FY elements

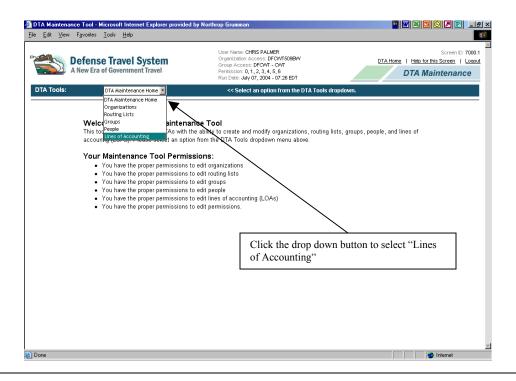
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	are not replaced with New FY value
	Account 2: FY (4 chars) equal to XXXX will not be replaced with New FY value
MC 1, 8/1/2001	Account 2: FY (2 chars)
	Account 2: PY (2 chars)
	All non-empty FY, PY elements are rolled to new fiscal year
	Empty (null) values for MC FY elements are not replaced with New FY value
	Account 2: FY (2 chars) equal to XX will not be replaced with New FY value
NAVY1, 8/1/2001	Account 2: DFY (2 chars)
	Account 3: BFY (1 char)
	Account 3: EFY (1 char)
	All non-empty (DFY, EFY and BFY) elements are rolled to new fiscal year
	Empty (null) values for Navy DFY, EFY and BFY elements are not replaced with New DFY, EFY, BFY value
	Account 2: DFY (2 chars) equal to XX will not be replaced with New DFY value
WAAS 1, 8/7/2002	Account 2: FY (4 chars)
	All non-empty FY elements are rolled to new fiscal year
	Empty (null) values for WAAS FY elements are not replaced with New FY value
	Account 2: FY (4 chars) equal to XXXX will not be replaced with New FY value
EBiz 2, 2/20/2003	Account 2: FY (4 chars)
	All non-empty FY elements are rolled to new fiscal year
	Empty (null) values for Ebiz FY elements are not replaced with New FY value

Format Map	Elements That Will be Updated and the Default Rules Defining the Rollover Action	
	Account 2: FY (4 chars) equal to XXXX will not be replaced with New FY value	
SAP1, 3/10/2004	Account 2: DFY (2 chars)	
	Account 3: BFY (1 char)	
	Account 3: EFY (1 char)	
	All non-empty DFY, BFY, EFY elements are rolled to new fiscal year	
	Empty (null) values for SAP1 DFY, BFY, EFY elements are not replaced with New DFY, BFY, EFY value	
	Account 2: DFY (2 chars) equal to XX will not be replaced with New DFY value	

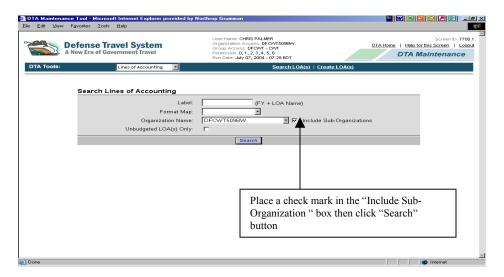
2. Custom Rules allow users to modify Fiscal/Program Year Account elements used from the default rule set by choosing Custom rules. Custom rules can apply to one or more LOA(s). Once the user has modified the LOA elements to be rolled over, DTS will automatically update Fiscal/ Program year elements in each LOA with a selected fiscal year value. Note: All other data elements within the LOA will be copied exactly into the new LOA. See section 3.2 for the specifics of the customization process.

3.1 Steps to Use the Default Option to Rollover LOA(s)

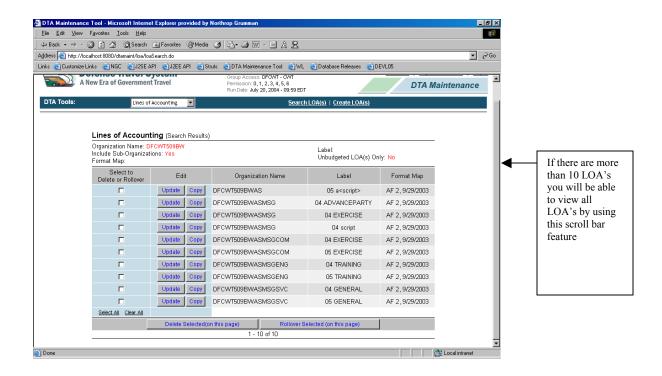
1. Access the DTA Maintenance Tool and select the Lines of Accounting option.



2. The **Search Lines of Accounting** screen will be displayed. Use this screen to search for the LOAs that need to be rolled over and used in the new fiscal year.

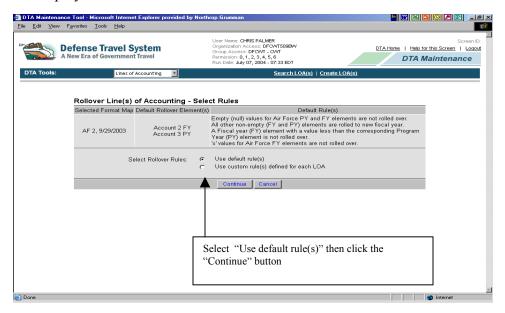


3. Select all LOAs that should rollover by placing a checkmark next to the applicable LOA or by clicking the "select all" link. Then select the **Rollover Selected button (on this page)** to continue with the next screen.

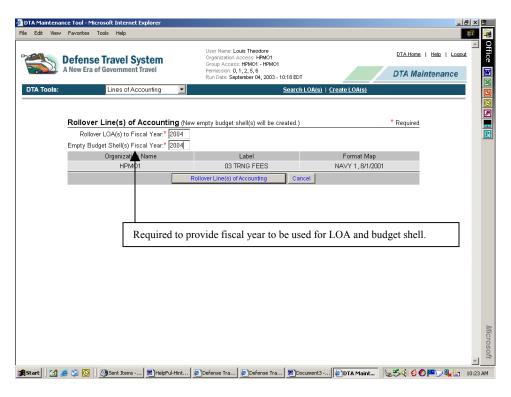


Note: The LOA(s) to roll over are listed by organization, LOA label, and format map. The label is the only identification displayed in the list; the FDTA cannot view the

- complete data elements of the LOA in this feature. The FDTA should use the **Update** feature to view all data elements and verify the LOA as a candidate for rollover.
- 4. The screen for "Rollover Line(s) of Accounting Select Rules" will be displayed. It will display the default rules for how DTS will complete the rollover process for the selected LOA(s). The FDTA will select the default method of rollover that will follow the rules displayed on the screen.



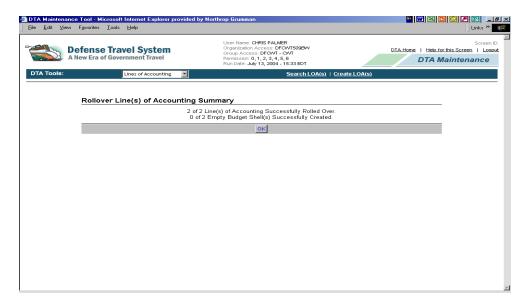
5. The screen for Rollover Line(s) of Accounting – Default Rules (New empty budget shell(s) will be created) will be displayed. It will display the list of selected LOAs with the Organization Name, LOA Label, LOA Format Map, and the option to preview the New Fiscal Year LOA before rollover. In addition, there will be two input fields for Fiscal Year that must be populated before the preview, or the rollover option will function. Enter the new fiscal year for the LOA(s) and the empty budget shell(s). Select the Rollover Line(s) of Accounting button to execute the rollover function to generate the New Fiscal Year LOA(s) and empty budget shell(s).



- 6. DTS will display a final confirm message that will allow you to cancel your actions for rollover up to this point.
- 7. If you are satisfied with your actions, click "Continue" to complete the roll-over process. If you erred, you must manually delete the LOA(s) and associated budget item(s) or manually edit the new LOA(s) and associated budget item(s).



8. DTS will display a confirmation message that indicates the number of successful rollover LOA(s) and empty budget shell(s) created.



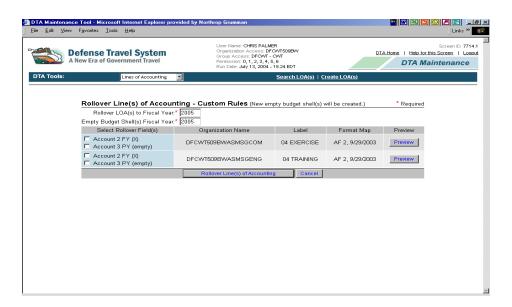
9. Proceed to section 5 to update the budget shell.

3.2 Steps to Use the Custom Option to Rollover LOA(s)

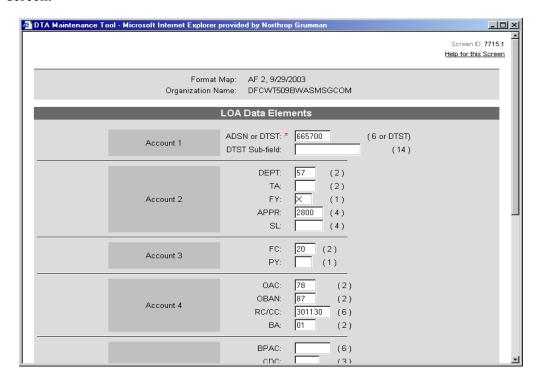
1. Refer to steps 1 – 4 in section 3.1; however, in step 4 select "Use Custom Rules" instead of default rules.

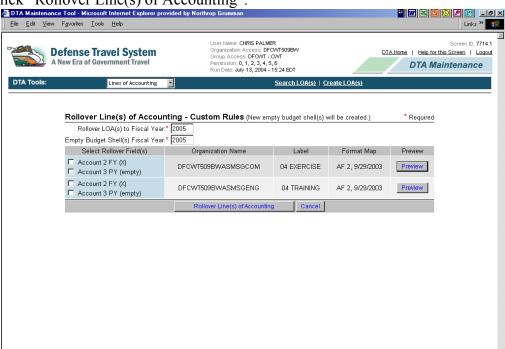


2. Populate the Rollover LOA and Empty Budget Shell(s) Fiscal Year boxes and click preview to view how the new LOA will be formatted.



3. Scroll to the bottom of the preview window and close. *Note: You will not be able to edit the preview window.* Once the preview window is closed you will return to the rollover screen.

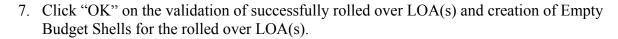




Click "Rollover Line(s) of Accounting".

- 5. DTS will display a final confirm message that will allow you to cancel your actions for rollover up to this point.
- 6. If you are satisfied with your actions, click "Continue" to complete the rollover process. If you erred, you must manually delete the LOA(s) and associated budget item(s) or manually edit the new LOA(s) and associated budget item(s).







8. Proceed to section 5 to update the budget shell.

4 Copy LOA Feature

The FDTA should use the **Copy LOA** feature when data elements change from one fiscal year to another (i.e., changes that are in addition to Fiscal/Program year-related elements). *Note: If the only data elements that require change are related to the fiscal year, refer to section 3, Fiscal Year Rollover Feature.*

The LOA Copy function does the following:

- 1. The program allows you to copy all of the elements of an existing LOA to create a new LOA for another fiscal year. This must be done on an individual basis you can only copy one LOA at a time. *Note: This does not change the fiscal year-related elements in the LOA*.
- 2. The screen will display the format layout and the elements from the existing LOA. The program allows you to name the LOA label used for the LOA and budget shell. The FDTA must change the data elements within the LOA, as necessary, to reflect any changes required for the new fiscal year.
- 3. The program creates an empty budget shell for the new LOA with the same accounting elements. The FDTA will need to edit the new budget shell in the DTS Budget Module to add funding authority as determined by the Resource Management Office.

4.1 Steps to Create the LOA and Budget Shell When Using the Copy LOA Feature

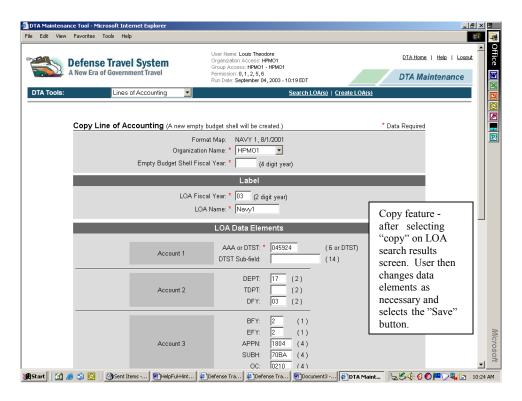
- 1. Access the DTA Maintenance Tool and select the Lines of Accounting option.
- 2. The **Search Lines of Accounting** screen will be displayed. Use this screen to search for the LOAs needed in the new fiscal year.
- 3. Select the **Copy** button next to the LOA to create the new fiscal year LOA. This must be done on an individual basis—you can only copy one LOA at a time.
- 4. After selecting the **Copy** button, the **Copy Line of Accounting (A new empty budget shell will be created)** screen will be displayed. This screen displays the selected LOA data elements based on the Format Map, and the FDTA can then update the data elements.

The FDTA should check and update the following fields:

Field Label	Comments
Empty Budget Shell Fiscal Year *	Enter the 4-digit year for the new fiscal
	year.
LOA Fiscal Year* (under the heading "Label")	This field will be pre-populated by default based on the selected LOA. You will need to enter the 2-digit year for the new fiscal year. This will be used as part of the label name.
LOA Name* (under the heading "Label")	This field will be pre-populated by default based on the selected LOA using the label value. If the LOA name changes for the new LOA being created, then update this field.
Fiscal Year related elements (under the heading "LOA Data Elements")	Update the necessary fiscal year-related elements (such as FY, PY, DFY, BFY, EFY) in the format map to reflect the new fiscal year. The copy function does not automatically rollover the values.
Remaining Data Elements (under the heading "LOA Data Elements")	Make any other changes to the remaining data elements in the format map, as necessary.

^{*} Denotes required field

5. Click the **Save Copied Line of Accounting** button to create the new fiscal year LOA and the empty budget shell for the corresponding new LOA.

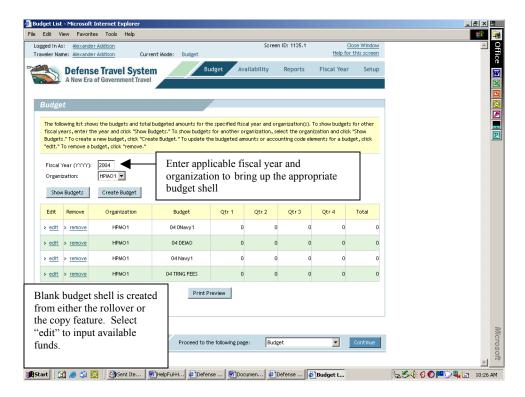


6. Proceed to section 5 to update the budget shell.

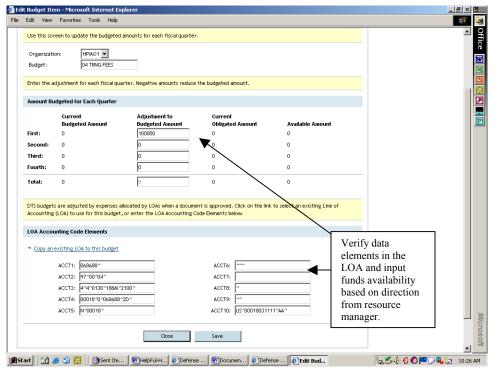
5 Update the Budget Shell After Creating New Fiscal Year LOAs from the Copy or Rollover Feature

5.1 Steps to Update Budget Shell (Budget Item Target(s))

- 1. Access the DTS Budget Module from Administrative drop-down menu on the DTS home page.
- 2. Select **Budget** to go to the main budget screen (screen ID 1135.1), Enter applicable fiscal year or organization in the search criteria: then click the **Show Budgets** button to display available budget item shell(s).



- 3. Look for the Budget item label(s) that was created during the rollover or copy process. Select the **Edit** link next to the Budget item label(s).
- 4. The **Edit Budget Item** screen (screen ID 1134.1) will be displayed. Verify the section labeled **LOA Accounting Code Elements** to ensure the elements reflect the new fiscal year LOA that was created during the rollover or copy process. The section for **Amount Budgeted for Each Quarter** has a column that is labeled **Adjustment to Budgeted Amount**. This is the field for the budget target amounts. Typically, only the first quarter target can be loaded immediately after fiscal year rollover.



- 5. Select the **Save** button to complete the process.
- 6. Repeat the process for each empty budget item shell(s) that was created during the rollover or copy process.

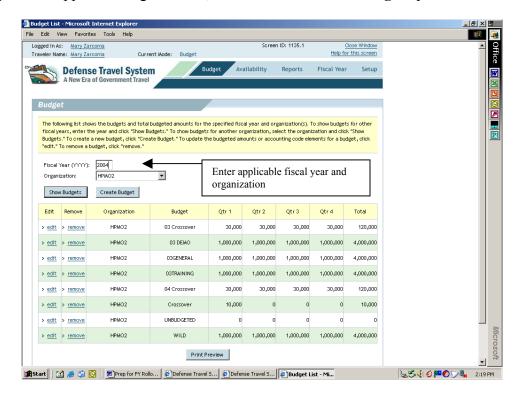
6 Creating a Tracking Budget Item for New Fiscal Year

To correctly fund and process trip documents that include travel that crosses the fiscal year (depart prior to 10/01/04 and return after 10/01/04), the FDTA should use the DTS Budget Module to create a tracking budget item for the new fiscal year using the current year's LOA elements. For example, an FDTA preparing for the FY 05 rollover would create a FY 05 budget item for the FY 04 LOA.

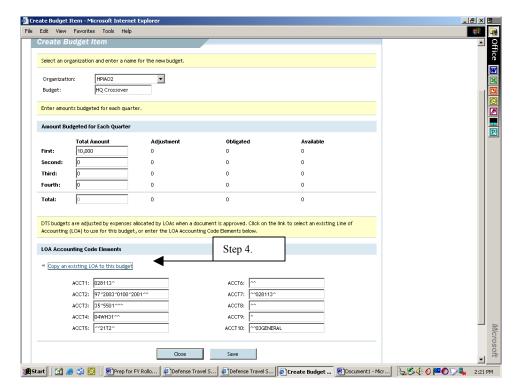
Note: This tracking item must be prepared for FY 04 LOAs used on documents processed in FY 05. If not created, when the next amendment or voucher is approved, DTS will unfund the FY 04 Budget item and create an UNBUDGETED FY 05 Budget item for the organization. This will occur at approval by the Authorizing Official, permission level 2.

Steps to Create Tracking Budget Item for New Fiscal Year

 Access the DTS Budget Module from Administrative drop-down menu on the DTS home page. 2. Select **Budget** to go to the main budget screen (screen ID 1135.1). Enter the new fiscal year and applicable organization, and select the **Create Budget** option.

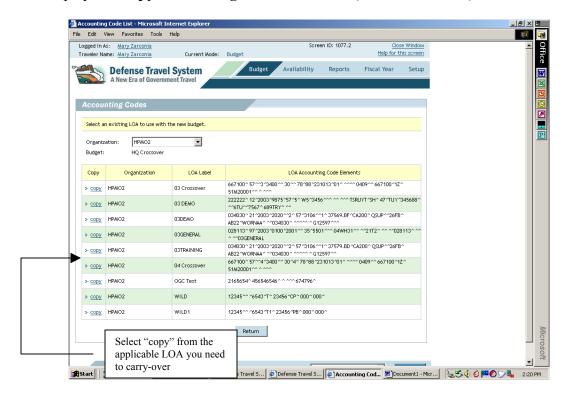


3. In the **Create Budget Item** screen, input a budget label for the new tracking budget. For example, if the budget item label for FY04 funding was "04 Admin", the FDTA could use "04 Admin" to track the funds in the new fiscal year budget (FY05).

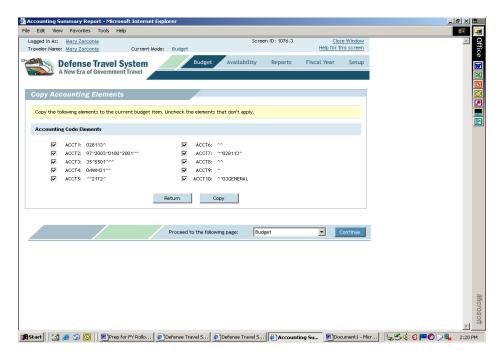


4. From the **Create Budget** screen, select **Copy an Existing LOA to this Budget**. This will display the **Accounting Codes** screen (screen ID 1077.2).

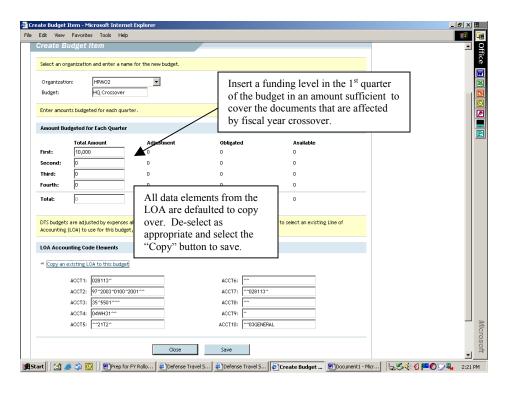
5. From screen ID 1077.2, select **Copy** next to the current year's 04 LOA label. This will display the **Copy Accounting Elements** screen (screen ID 1076.3).



6. DTS displays *all* the data elements for the LOA selected (screen 1076.3). If you do not require all the data elements, de-select them to remove the check marks; then click the **Copy** button, which will save the data and return you to the **Create Budget Item** screen.



7. In the **Create Budget Item** screen, input quarterly target amounts that are sufficient for processing all DTS travel documents affected by the fiscal year rollover; then click the **Save** button.



8. Repeat this process for all LOAs used to fund DTS travel documents that crossed the fiscal year. The following shows what the next fiscal year budgets may look like, showing the "current" fiscal year (FY04) Budget Item.

